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Tim Dowd received his Bachelor's degree from Fordham University, New York, in 1972. He continued at Fordham, and, in 1975, received his law degree. He was a member of the Law Review at Fordham. After graduating from law school, Tim joined the Department of the Navy Office of the General Counsel, at the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEASYS COM) in Washington, DC. From 1975 until 1985, he held a number of positions at NAVSEA including Assistant Counsel in contract claims matters, Assistant Counsel for the Fast Frigate (FFG) program, and then Associate Counsel for Contract Claims and Civilian Personnel Law. Mr. Dowd was also a trial attorney at the former Navy Contract Appeals Division for a two-year period, where he represented Navy before the Armed Service Board of Contract Appeals.

In 1986, Mr. Dowd moved to Long Beach, California where he became Counsel, Naval Regional Contracting Center (NRCC). In 1987 and 1988, he was an Associate Counsel at McDonnell-Douglas in Long Beach. While at McDonnell-Douglas, he provided legal advice to the C-17 Globemaster III program among others. In 1988, he and his family moved to San Diego where he served as Counsel to the Naval Command, Control and Ocean Surveillance Center (NCCOSC) and the NCCOSC Research, Development, Test and Evaluation (RDT&E) Division, formerly known as the Naval Ocean Systems Center (NOSC). He remained at NCCOSC until selected as Counsel, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) in September 1996. In December 1996 he became a member of the Senior Executive Service as Counsel, SPAWAR.

In August 1998, Mr. Dowd became the Head of Corporate Operations and Planning for SPAWAR. In that position he directed civilian personnel, military personnel, facilities, security, corporate administrative support, business development and strategic planning.

SPAWAR provides Navy with C4ISR systems. SPAWAR develops and fields systems which gather tactical data; provide intelligence in the form of imagery, electromagnetic intelligence and communications intelligence; link operating forces afloat and operators at sea with commanders ashore; fuse tactical data and process these data into meaningful information.

Mr. Dowd is a member of the California, New York, and District of Columbia bars, as well as the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. He is also a member of the National Contract Management Association.